

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
May 20, 2005**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Occupational Therapy was held on May 20, 2005 at the Secretary of State Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia with the following members present:

Members Present:

Kathleen H. Conyers, OTR/L, Vice President
Donna J. Domyslawski, OTR/L
Mary Louise Austin, Consumer
Karen L. Cadaret, COTA/L

Absent:

Kendyl R. Brock, OTR/L, CHT, President

Others Present:

Jacqueline A. Hightower, Executive Director
Serena Gadson, Application Specialist
Yvonne LeSane, Board Secretary
Wylencia Monroe, Asst. Atty. General

Laura Meadows, Asst. Secretary of State
Mollie Fleeman, Division Director
Bikram K. Mohanty, OTR/L, Georgia
Occupational Therapy Association

Ms. Conyers established a quorum of the Board was present and called the Board meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to enter into Executive Session in accordance with O.C.G.A. §43-1-19(h)(2)&(4), O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(1)(2), O.C.G.A. §43-1-2(k)(4) and O.C.G.A. §50-14-2(1) to deliberate on Investigations, Applications and Attorney General's Report and to receive information on Investigations, Applications and Attorney General's Report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board Members Domyslawski, Cadaret, Austin and Conyers. The Board concluded Executive Session in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Agenda: The agenda was reviewed and revised.

Minutes: Ms. Cadaret moved, Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 18, 2005 and Conference Call minutes of April 22, 2005.

Correspondence:

The Board considered the following correspondence and matters of interest:

Jeffrey M. Rosa, Executive Director Ohio OT, PT & AT Boards: How does the Board handle school based OTA practice? Does your state practice act govern specialty practice areas? **Board Response:** The Georgia practice act does not govern specialty areas. All practice must meet law and rules regardless of setting.

Lori Gilbert, OTR/L: Can occupational therapists accept referrals and practice under optometrists. **Board Response:** All occupational therapy practice must meet law and rules regardless of insurance reimbursement. Please refer to the Georgia Occupational Therapy Association (GOTA) at <http://www.gaota.com>.

Thomas Gary Woodcock, Jr.: What are the standards of practice for a COTA/L doing sharps debridement under the supervision of an OTR/L that is PAMS certified? **Board Response:** All occupational therapy assistant practice must meet law and rules. Please visit the Board's website at www.sos.state.ga.us for the laws and rules.

National Board for Certification in Occupational Therapy (NBCOT): The 11th Annual NBCOT National Conference, October 14-15, 2005. **Board Response:** Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to send Ms. Domyslawski.

Laura Meadows, Assistant Secretary of State:

Ms. Meadows and Ms. Fleeman attended the Board meeting briefly. Ms. Meadows expressed Ms. Cathy Cox's appreciation to the Board during the change in internal operations. Ms. Meadows discussed the budget, fiscal year, 2005 budget, General Contractors Board.

Ms. Meadows advised that information will be shared with the Boards. The Professional Licensing Boards is a top priority. It is important that Boards speak to legislators and educate them.

Board Sponsored Ethics Course:

The Board reconsidered sponsoring an ethics course and determined no action is necessary.

Attorney General's Report:

Ms. Monroe, AAG, presented an update on the following case: **OT01200001, OT01100007**

David Brice Morgan, Jr.: Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to accept the signed Voluntary Surrender. Docket number: # 2005-0741.

Probation Report:

Mary Virginia Tebo-Grimes: Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and Board voted to approve the request for: "An Ethical Health Checkup for Occupational and Physical Therapists" pursuant to the consent order. Remove from non-compliant status.

Cognizant Member's Report:

OT050012: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to refer to Enforcement.

OT050014: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to close with a letter of concern.

OT050010: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to refer to Enforcement.

OT040006: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to close.

OT050013: Ms. Cadaret moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to close.

Executive Director's Report:

Ms. Hightower provided the Board with information on the following:

- Staffing
- Residential /General Contractors Board

Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to issue a vote of confidence to the Allied Health staff in execution of Occupational Therapy services and duties to the Board and to express its concern regarding vacancies within the section.

Report on Certification on Physical Agent Modalities: The board voted to review this matter regarding the limited certification in physical agent modality at its July meeting.

Applications:

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to take the following action on Licensure by Application:

S.A.Z. Approved pending receipt of additional documents; request to accept references from 2003 denied.

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to take the following action on Licensure by Restoration:

B.E.J. Approved pending; upon receipt of acceptable hours for Continuing Education.

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Cadaret seconded and the Board voted to take the following actions on Certifications of Physical Agent Modalities:

Jamey Self Abbott	Approved
C.B.	Approved upon receipt of acceptable documentation
Charmi Desai	Approved
Karen H. Dorr	Approved
T.G.	Approved upon receipt of acceptable documentation
F.M.H.	Approved upon receipt of acceptable documentation
C.H.	Approved upon receipt of acceptable documentation
Andrea M. Holtzheimer	Approved
Kimberly Dawn Hughes	Approved
Stephanie Gale Jaros	Approved
Tomika LaSha Lowe	Approved
H. O.	Approved upon receipt of acceptable documentation
P.A.O.	Approved upon receipt of acceptable documentation
Janet Renee O'Meara	Approved
Melissa Ellen Pandolfi	Approved
Ashley Marsena Stephens	Approved

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Megan Sara Strandburg	Approved
Amy Catherine Turner	Approved
Richard Jason Vital	Approved
I.W. III	Approved upon receipt of acceptable documentation

Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to approve the following reinstatements determined to have met licensure requirements as follows:

License No.	Licensee Name	Profession	Issue Date
OT000669	Hamilton, David V.	Occupational Therapist	3/21/2005
OTA000638	Boyd, Cherie Melissa	Occupational Therapy Assistant	3/21/2005
OTA000182	Dysinger, Janett Louise	Occupational Therapy Assistant	3/21/2005
OT001271	Philip, Cynthia George	Occupational Therapist	3/21/2005
OT003053	Rink, Karen Frances	Occupational Therapist	4/14/2005
OT003069	Carter, Kevin David	Occupational Therapist	4/26/2005
OT003322	Lacy, Jason David	Occupational Therapist	4/29/2005
OT002144	Burke, Kayla Deann	Occupational Therapist	5/13/2005

Ms. Austin moved and Ms. Domyslawski seconded and the Board voted to approve the issuance of letters of authority as follows:

Name	Profession	Issue Date
Williams, Jakara	Occupational Therapist	4/13/2005
Geck, Tracy Elaine	Occupational Therapist	5/11/2005

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Conyers seconded and the Board voted to approve applications for Occupational Therapist Assistant licensure by application determined to have met licensure requirements as follows:

License No.	Licensee Name	Profession	Issue Date
OTA000866	Brittingham, Sarah Williams	Occupational Therapy Assistant	3/29/2005
OTA000867	Pool, Aimee Elizabeth	Occupational Therapy Assistant	4/1/2005
OTA000868	Perry, Kristina Michelle	Occupational Therapy Assistant	4/1/2005
OTA000869	Merritt, Chandra Gale	Occupational Therapy Assistant	4/6/2005
OTA000870	Lowe, Bill Lawrence	Occupational Therapy Assistant	4/6/2005
OTA000871	Saucillo, Jessica Cora	Occupational Therapy Assistant	4/14/2005

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Conyers seconded and the Board voted to approve applications Occupational Therapist licensure by application determined to have met licensure requirements as follows:

License No.	Licensee Name	Profession	Issue Date
OT004143	Harrell, Erika Lynne	Occupational Therapist	3/23/2005
OT004144	Leseten, Allyson Beth	Occupational Therapist	3/24/2005
OT004145	Hemsley, Virginia Noble	Occupational Therapist	3/30/2005
OT004146	Bravo, Karin	Occupational Therapist	3/30/2005
OT004147	Jacob, Rachel	Occupational Therapist	3/31/2005
OT004148	Jones, Cynthia Ann	Occupational Therapist	4/1/2005

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OT004149	Cross, Kenneshia Stacy-Ann	Occupational Therapist	4/6/2005
OT004150	Bean, Zita-Ann	Occupational Therapist	4/6/2005
OT004151	Gietz, Danielle Renee	Occupational Therapist	4/13/2005
OT004152	Converse, Keri Suzanne	Occupational Therapist	4/14/2005
OT004153	Carroll, Shiok Whee	Occupational Therapist	4/18/2005
OT004154	Brozas, Vanessa Mae C.	Occupational Therapist	4/26/2005
OT004155	Deogracias, Aileen Salonga	Occupational Therapist	4/26/2005
OT004156	Otico, Martin Picazo	Occupational Therapist	4/26/2005
OT004157	Rubio, Lester Kaye C.	Occupational Therapist	4/26/2005
OT004158	Burnett, David Alan	Occupational Therapist	4/27/2005
OT004159	Hilby, Erika Anne	Occupational Therapist	4/27/2005
OT004160	Neil, Marcella Maria	Occupational Therapist	4/27/2005
OT004161	Walker, Lavilla Busby	Occupational Therapist	4/27/2005
OT004162	Denton, Barbara Velda	Occupational Therapist	4/27/2005
OT004163	Thorn, Melissa A.	Occupational Therapist	5/6/2005

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Conyers seconded and the Board voted to approve applications Occupational Therapist licensure by application determined to have met licensure requirements as follows:

License No.	Licensee Name	Profession	Issue Date
OT004164	Simmons, Jennifer Brown	Occupational Therapist	5/11/2005
OT004165	Sutemeier, Anne Manchester	Occupational Therapist	5/11/2005
OT004166	Kessler, Christina M.	Occupational Therapist	5/11/2005
OT004167	Ambrose, Jarian Lauran	Occupational Therapist	5/12/2005
OT004168	Townsend, Kristen Estelle	Occupational Therapist	5/12/2005
OT004169	Little, Sandra Marie	Occupational Therapist	5/12/2005
OT004170	Mani, Annie John	Occupational Therapist	5/18/2005

RULE 671-3-.08:

The rule revision to 671-3-.08(5) and 671-3-.08(10) requiring ethics and limiting on-line continuing education was effective May 24, 2005. The Board requested staff to send a notice to licenses regarding this rule change.

Ms. Domyslawski moved and Ms. Austin seconded and the Board adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

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